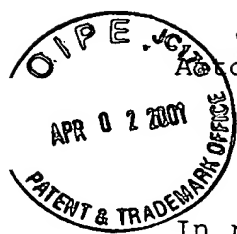


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Also a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney filed on  
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The Declaration shows the residential address of Mr. Kakumoto to be Nagaokakyo-Shi, Kyoto, Japan. Thus, the city of residence is "Nagaokakyo-Shi", while the prefecture of residence is "Kyoto". The Declaration shows the residential address of Mr. Hagihara to be Amagasaki-Shi, Hyogo-Ken, Japan. Thus, the city of residence is "Amagasaki-Shi", while the prefecture of residence is "Hyogo-Ken".

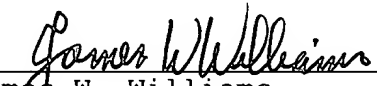
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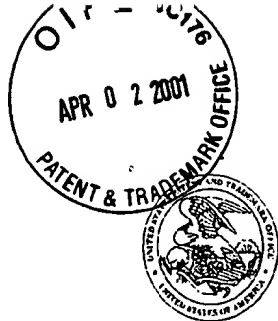
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